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# MEMORANDUM

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TO : Acting Director, DRMP

DATE: March 26, 1974

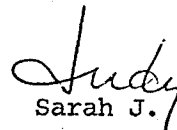
FROM : Acting Chief, Operations & Development

SUBJECT: Arthritis in Ohio

When you were in Charlottesville and we were preparing the Arthritis Guidelines, staff considered the lack of an RMP in Ohio and Delaware. We threw out Pete's words speaking directly to the point but agreed that applications could not properly be excluded from those areas. It was a consensus that such applications could be considered in competition with the others on their own merit. If such applications were recommended and approved for funding, it has been our view that an award could be issued under the 910 authority. As we have so advised potential applicants (6) in Ohio. You have signed letters to both Mr. Milliken (CAP) and Ron Wright (Ohio State Research Foundation, former RMP grantee) advising them of the situation and asking them to help the applicants in any way possible. The applicants have been advised to seek counsel from Mr. Milliken and Mr. Wright, to carry out administrative functions normally performed by an RMP and to submit applications directly to Rockville on or before May 6.

Now you ask that we inform the applicants of a new set of understandings --that they go through the nearest RMP and receive their RAG approval. Have you contacted the Michigan, Western Pennsylvania and Ohio Valley RMPs to make sure the applications will be processed and reviewed under their time constraints?

Mr. Spear, Mr. Van Winkle and I would like to discuss this with you.

  
Sarah J. Silsbee